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Faculty, staff want answers to merger

Lager wants answers before presenting merger to house

By KARA SWINK
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

Faculty Senate held an emergency session with 4th District State Rep. Brad Lager and the president's Cabinet Wednesday to discuss the progress of the possible merger with the University of Missouri system.

Lager and Faculty Senate President Mike Wilson called the chairs together to discuss merger concerns within departments.

Lager said the merger is still being discussed, and faculty and students will have their questions answered before

anything is presented to legislators.

"I will not let this move forward until questions are answered, and that includes questions directed at the Cabinet," Lager said. "There is no way I could stand on the floor and defend a merger without information to do it."

During the meeting, most department concerns overlapped with questions pertaining to published research, insurance and benefits, admissions standards, Northwest's Culture of Quality and student population.

"The devil's in the details," said Richard Fulton, professor

of political science. "But the thing is we don't have very many details."

Terry Coalter, assistant professor of marketing and management, agreed that facts are essential if the University wants to make that next step.

"If we want to cross the Atlantic, we need to be in a big boat and not a small one," Coalter said. "But you have to remember that the Mayflower made it, and the Titanic sank."

Ray Courter, vice president of Finance, told senators that some answers could not be provided until a merger occurs.

"I want to reinforce that we all want to have our questions

answered," Courter said. "But right now, we can't give you what you want."

Provost Taylor Barnes said that, if the merger proceeds, then Northwest would have to look closely at its funding algorithm, admission standards and tuition.

"Even though there has been no recommendation to the board, we need to remember we don't want to be simulated," Barnes said. "But we do want to be cultivated."

Merger discussions will continue between students and faculty during town hall meetings Oct. 2 and Oct. 7.

"I'm concerned about the same things, and I'm not a graduate of Northwest," Barnes said. "I realize that more emphasis is put on research at the University of Missouri, but we put more emphasis on teaching, and that won't change."

Student leaders urge students to be pro-active in merger

By RILEY HUSKEY
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Student Senate President Emily Dix and Student Regent Paul Klute are encouraging students to let their voices be heard on the proposed merger.

The impact of the proposed merger with the UM system could have a great impact on the University, Dix said. "This is huge," Dix said. "And this merger can be a lot to take in. We're talking about nearly 100 years of tradition. Neither Dr. Hubbard nor the Board of Regents will go through with this merger if Northwest's atmosphere or environment is changed, and that's a promise."

Of the 611 students that

completed the online survey done by Klute and Dix, 51 percent are not in favor of the UM system merger. Eighty-two percent of the same students polled fear that the UM system merger will impact the cost of tuition at Northwest.

"I encourage everyone to give as much feedback as possible," Klute said. "There is a Student Regent Web site that gives students the opportunity to ask any and all questions. If I have information available, I will answer."

Klute responds to every single e-mail he receives through the Student Regent Web site, info.nwmissouri.edu/~regent/.

"The UM system merger has some merit," Klute said. "The Board of Regents will look into it and go through the process of

negotiations whether or not we choose to go through with it."

Time lines and dates are all fluid at this point, and no set date for the merger has been decided.

Students can voice their opinions at the town hall meeting today at 3:30 p.m. The meeting will serve as an open forum for students to ask administrators questions about issues surrounding the UM system.

"It's safe to say that the Board of Regents will do what's best for the University and what's best for the current and future students," Klute said. "But even more importantly, they will do what's best for the environment here at Northwest."

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File sharing crackdown begins

Students can download at own risk on campus

By AARON BAILEY
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

To you, it's just a song you downloaded from the Internet. To the record industry it's the equivalent of shoplifting a CD from Best Buy.

Earlier this month, the Recording Industry Association of America filed 261 lawsuits for copyright infringement, seeking close to \$200 million in damages. The most notorious of these lawsuits was against a 12-year-old girl, who settled for \$2,000 for possessing illegal MP3s.

Illegal mp3 downloading is continually becoming a larger issue and Computing Services on campus is taking notice.

"I think it really depends on what the RIAA does and the legal side of it," said Kyra Mills, associate administrator for Computing Services. "We'll wait and see if we're legally forced to do something about it."

Currently, the University's internet service provider, Mornet, does not have a policy against illegal mp3 downloading, due in large part to the difficulty of monitoring the campus network.

The biggest issue is how do you determine which (mp3) is legal and which is illegal," said Mills. "Just looking at the traffic won't tell you that."

Each MP3 download has an electronic

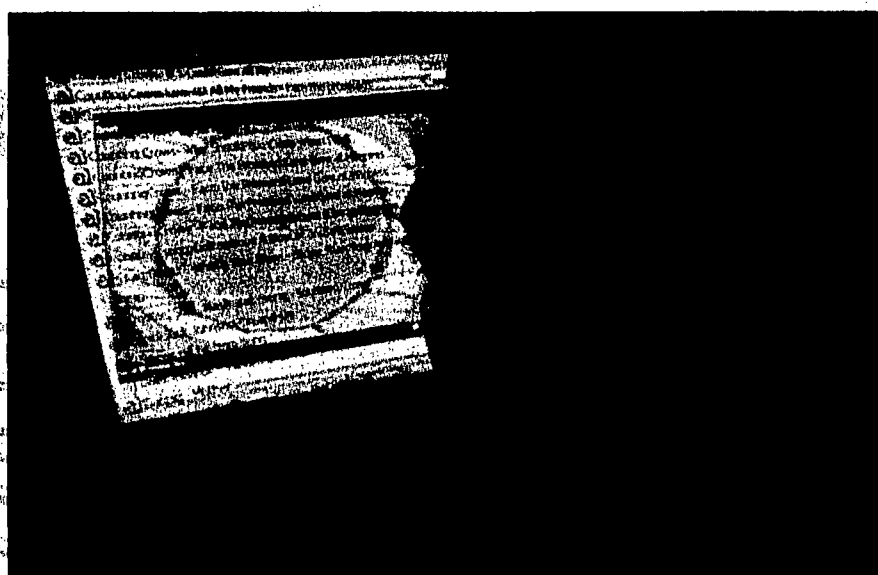


PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY LAURA CADDY/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
A Northwest freshman listens to songs downloaded prior to the beginning of his classes. Downloading music on campus has become an important issue recently due to major companies suing throughout the nation.

signature. Adding to the problem is that legal and illegal mp3s have the exact same signature.

"The only way to tell is to look at the mp3 they downloaded, and we don't do that," Mills said.

But although the University has no policies concerning illegally downloading mp3s, Mills does warn that University server policies prohibit someone from sharing their mp3s with a large number of people.

Mills also stated that in the event of the RIAA suing Northwest student, the University would in no way be accountable.

"It's my understanding that (any legal penalty) goes directly to the student,"

Mills said. But around campus, students seem less than intimidated by legal action by the RIAA.

"I think it's pointless," said Travis Stull, broadcasting major. "The more they try and crack down, the more people are going to want to do it."

Paul Stokes, undecided, agreed. "I don't see the point," he said. "They can't get everyone, so why bother?"

But Alyssa Grumert, art education major, is divided on the issue.

"My boyfriend plays in a band and I see how hard he works, and people just stealing it is kind of wrong," she said. "But it should be allowed. To me, bands like Metallica just come off as greedy."

Budget, facilities discussed at meeting

By SARAH SWEDBURG
CHIEF REPORTER

Maryville school board members and administrators gathered together last night for a regular meeting to discuss updates on facility projects as well as budget concerns.

Today, board members will accept bids for the roof replacement and HVAC projects for both the elementary and high school.

Next the board will meet again for a special meeting next Tuesday to approve the bids on these projects so that they may begin.

Superintendent Jay Reese said once the materials are obtained and the construction crews are ready, crews will place the HVAC systems in and then come back and roof.

Other facility updates discussed included electrical services, the high school track updates at the elementary

school and the high school.

Right now, the board will make sure the current electrical services in both the elementary and high school buildings are appropriate for the buildings' needs.

"We have done some things such as having a recording bulb meter at both buildings to determine if the services coming into the buildings are adequate," Reese said.

Last night, both members of the board of education and community expressed ideas and concerns about the exterior and interior fencing for the track.

Reese said one of the items required for putting the track surface down is that no one or nothing can be on the track while crews are applying the surface. He also said the exterior fence will help deter vandalism. Until Tuesday's meeting, the board will research to determine property lines where they want

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Town pursues betterment award

Judges visited Maryville Tuesday, decision tonight

By SARAH SWEDBURG
CHIEF REPORTER

Missouri Community Betterment program judges will decide tonight how Maryville stands out in their efforts to better the community's quality of life.

Missouri Community Betterment program judges Ruth Ann Spotts and Earl Cannon visited Maryville Tuesday to evaluate last year's community projects. Both Spotts and Cannon will visit eight communities in their venture to evaluate each community's efforts.

More than 80 Missouri communities entered the Missouri Community Betterment contest and 18 judges, including Spotts and Cannon, will spread themselves across the state to visit their assigned communities. Judges

spend about a hour in each community evaluating its projects.

"We like to look at the projects, in other words a tour, and then hear more about them and see the people involved," Spotts said.

Spotts and Cannon said there are three categories from which they judge. The first is project accomplishments and project execution process, the second is project planning and participation, and the third is community project vision.

Spotts also said she and Cannon look for volunteerism, leadership and cooperation as well as at the scope of the project when they judge the communities.

"I'd say first we would be looking for the fact that there was good planning," Spotts said. "For example, (we look for) getting community input for projects that you do."

Participants in the community betterment projects presented the judges with what

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Right to carry law passed by Missouri legislature

Missouri citizens will now be able to carry firearms with permit

By ABBY SIMONS
MANAGING EDITOR

For gun enthusiast Mark Wilmes, the right to carry a firearm isn't an issue of personal safety. It's about his freedoms as an American.

"This is supposed to be a free country where you should be able to do what you want," said the 31-year-old Ravenwood resident and owner of Wilmes

Guns in Maryville. "We're far from that, but we're now a step closer."

The step toward victory for Wilmes and thousands of other gun owners throughout the state came last week, thanks to the blessings of the Missouri Senate.

With the minimum 23 votes needed, the Senate overrode Gov. Bob Holden's veto of HB349, a bill allowing most Missourians to carry concealed handguns, provided they meet state-specified requirements on Sept. 11.

While legislation will not take effect until Oct. 11, its



PHOTO BY MATT FRYE/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Missouri senators overrode Gov. Bob Holden's veto for the right to carry concealed weapons.

passing invoked immediate reaction from Missouri right-to-carry advocates who had long since fought for the liberty.

"It's definitely a victory for us; we've been working hard at

this for over 10 years now," said St. Peters resident Gil Pyles, who serves on Missourians for Personal Safety board of directors. "When Sen. (Jim) Mathewson did a poll of constituents, they told him, 'Senator, I don't even plan on getting a permit, but I don't want the government telling me I can't.' That's part of our philosophy. Secondly, there may be instances that innocent lives may be saved outside the home."

A familiar issue to Missouri voters, right-to-carry legislation entitled Proposition B was

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COMMON QUESTIONS

■ **When will the law take effect?**
Oct. 11

■ **Where do I apply for a permit?**
Your county sheriff's department

■ **How much does it cost?**
Sheriff's departments can charge up to \$100 for each permit, which is good for three years.

■ **What are the training requirements?**
An eight-hour firearms safety course provided by a certified instructor. The course includes classroom work and live firing exercises.

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Web Exclusive:

For up-to-the-minute results and pictures, tune in to Missouriianonline.com after the football game Saturday. Be the first to read what the players and coaches have to say.

Coming soon:

The redesigned Buzz will be unveiled within the coming week. Be sure to check Missouriianonline.com and see the new site as soon as it goes live.

Last week's poll:

How do you feel about the redesign of Missouriianonline.com?

48.7% It's awesome, I didn't think I was at the right site.

43.7% There's a Web site?

4.2% I like the old design better.

3.4% You should redesign it again.

Online poll:

Have the lawsuits deterred your file sharing habits?

a. Nope, I downloaded 20 more songs tonight.

b. Heck yeah, I don't want the RIAA coming after me!

c. I let someone do it for me.

d. What's file sharing?

Comedians leave Northwest in stitches

By STEPHANIE STANGL
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Two unlikely companions, one a former employee of a reputable computer company, the other a University of Central Florida-educated surfer, joined forces to evoke teary-eyed laughter from students Tuesday night.

Kivi Rogers, former computer employee, took the stage at Charles Johnson Theatre first, making fun of everything from an older couple in the back row to Internet dating and even to how cheap his father is.

Giggling throughout, he made sure to touch upon almost every ethnic group, race and religion.

"It's not malice; it's just fun," he said. "Everything's a joke on this planet."

Surfer Daniel Tosh had a completely different type of humor. Slowing down for no one, he used his quick wit to entertain and dumbfound members of the audience.

"The people that get it are the people that I want to get it," he said.

His jovial, yet controversial banter made the audience both laugh and gasp. The audience sat in awe as contentious joke after contentious joke spilled from his lips. Topics ranged from comments on bulimia to the homeless to homosexuals and prostitutes.

Mortified and disgusted looks from some filled the room, but this was no surprise to Tosh. He is well aware that his humor is not for everyone. "I don't look at them; I avoid the negative," he said after the show.

"I try to just go with what makes me laugh, but sometimes you get a room full of people that just hate you."

DANIEL TOSH
COMEDIAN

The National Association of Campus Activities nominated Rogers as 1998 Comedian of the Year. He has appeared on "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno" and as well as on several sitcoms such as "Dharma and Greg" and "Everybody

said after the show. "I try to just go with what makes me laugh, but sometimes you get a room full of people that just hate you."

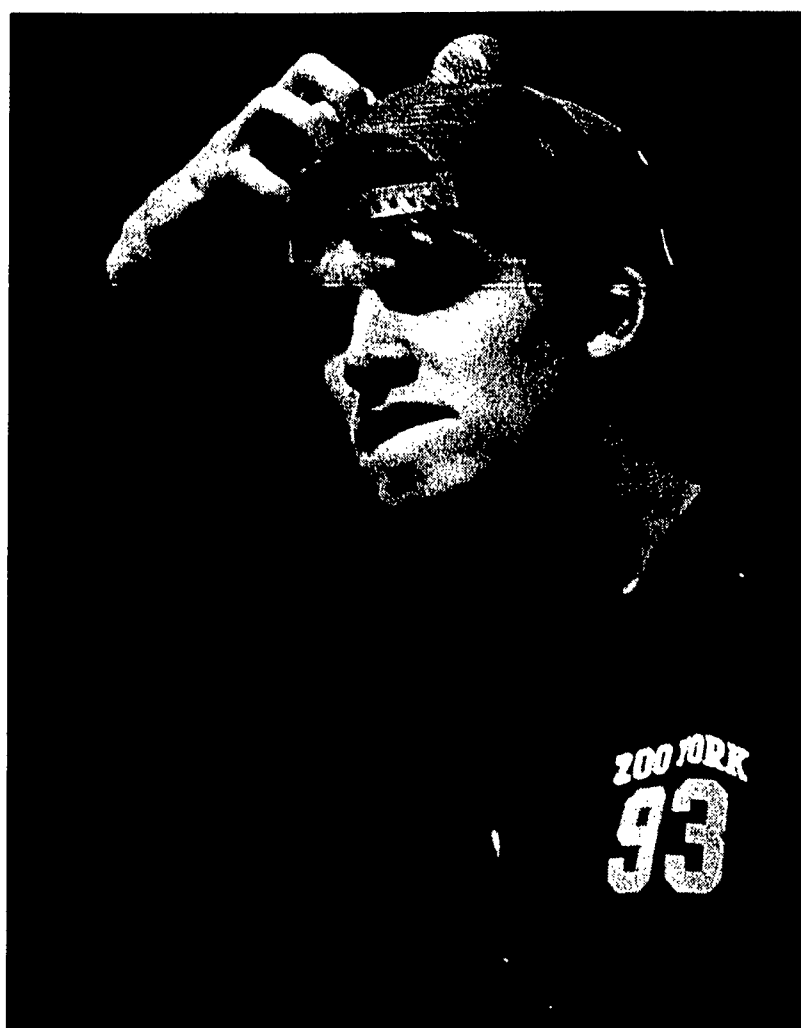


PHOTO BY LAURA CADDY/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Comedian Daniel Tosh gets rather emotional during his performance at the Charles Johnson Theatre on Sept. 16. Tosh has appeared four times on "The Late Show with David Letterman" and had his own comedy special on Comedy Central.

Loves Raymond."

Tosh has appeared on "The Late Show with David Letterman" four times and has already had his first stand up special called "Comedy

Central Presents Daniel Tosh."

Tosh and Rogers are two of the most sought after headliners in the country, frequenting more than 100 college campuses a year.

University launches new monthly sports publication

By BURNIEA COTHRINE
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Northwest's athletic department introduced the first issue of their sports tabloid last Saturday to kick off the start of athletics this year.

Chris Andrews, assistant director of athletics external operations, spearheaded the idea for the *Bearcat NSider*.

"(It was) my idea; I am the one financially responsible, the one who makes sure subscriptions go out," Andrews said. "(It is) my vision, my thought. However, there is about four of us who worked on it."

Andrews developed the idea when the amount of content exceeded the amount of space on the Northwest athletics Web site.

"The idea started a year and a half ago when we knew we had a loyal group of Bearcats," Andrew said.

"We started with our Web site, and the response we got back was great, but we were limited to the amount of information we could put on the site."

Though its primary purpose is to inform in greater detail about Northwest sports, Andrews said the *Bearcat NSider* serves a secondary purpose as well.

"It allows the parent that might live hours away to keep up with their child," Andrew said. "We have coaches writing articles to explain their programs as well as a fan club page so kids can do fun puzzles and games."

According to Andrews, the cost of the tabloid is \$29.99 until the end of October, and then it increases to \$34.99 for a 12-month subscription. The price includes tax, postage and delivery.

Those interested can sign up at the Northwest athletics Web site, www.northwestbearcats.com, or by sending in the postcard located inside the tabloid.

"It is an extremely well-thought, designed publication," Andrew said. "The subscription is well worth the cost."

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University Events

Thurs. 18

■ Intramural flag football officials meeting, 3:30 p.m., Martindale 102

■ Tower Yearbook Photos for seniors and undergraduates, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Student Union

■ Tower Yearbook Photos for groups 7-9 p.m., Student Union

Fri. 19

■ Tower Yearbook Photos for seniors and undergraduates, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Student Union

Sat. 20

■ Bearcat Zone Tailgate party, 11 a.m., Alumni House

■ Family Day

■ Alpha Sigma Alpha's 75th Anniversary

Sun. 21

■ No events

Mon. 22

■ Intramural tennis doubles play begins

■ Intramural flag football entries due

■ Student teacher meeting for students teaching in the spring, 3:45-5 p.m., Student Union Ballroom

Tues. 23

■ First day of autumn

■ Student teacher meeting for students teaching in the spring, 3:45-5 p.m., Student Union Ballroom

Wed. 24

■ Intramural flag football officials meeting, 3:30 p.m., Martindale 102

■ Intramural flag football meeting

■ Mock interview day

Family day set for Saturday

Family day will be held Sept. 20. Campus tours will be given throughout the day. Tailgating will begin at 9 a.m. at College Park, where the musical group "Hookslide" will perform from 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Rollin' the dice...



PHOTO BY MELANIE BUCY/MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER

Tabitha Biermann gets ready to roll the dice in a game of Monopoly against April Bartlett and Nicole Fillion as part of Board Game Bonanza Thursday night. Students are welcome to come and play their favorite board games Thursday at 10 p.m. in the Union Boardroom.

New parking lot set to open in time for third home football game

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
CHIEF REPORTER

The seemingly never-ending vision of orange security fences and barrels near the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center will soon be gone, according to University officials.

"(The parking lot near the Performing Arts Center) should be done by October 4," said Lezlee Johnson, assistant director of Environmental Services. "That way, it will be done in time for the third football game."

The new parking lot is the last leg in the three-year construction process, which included changes to University Drive and Centennial Drive.

The new parking lot, when completed, will have 180 parking spots for commuters, residents and faculty. On weekends, it will be used for football games.

And even though the contractors are making progress on the new lot by the stadium, it will not be done in time for Parent's Day Saturday.

"Hopefully, everyone can be a bit more patient," Courter said.

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8:30 am - Pilates
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5:15 pm - Muscle Mix
Wednesday:
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6:00 am - Pilates (30 min)
4:15 pm - Box Aerobics Intervals
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6:05 pm - Pilates (30 min)
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5:30 am - Box Aerobics Interval
8:00 am - Hi/Lo Aerobics
8:30 am - Pilates
4:15 pm - Pilates (45 min)
5:15 pm - Body Bar Challenge
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8:45 am - Pilates (30 min)
Sunday:
4:30 pm - Body Pump
5:15 pm - Pilates (30 min)
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Showers shift relay's setting

By JANELLE DAVID
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Maryville resident Barbara Nelsen took pride in wearing a simple blue T-shirt, which she earned by surviving the breast cancer that turned her life upside down three years ago.

Wearing the specially made "survivor" shirt on Saturday, Nelsen walked in the sixth annual American Cancer Society's Relay for Life fund-raiser to celebrate her third year of being cancer-free.

She also walked in memory of her dear friend Pam Graham who lost her battle with cancer.

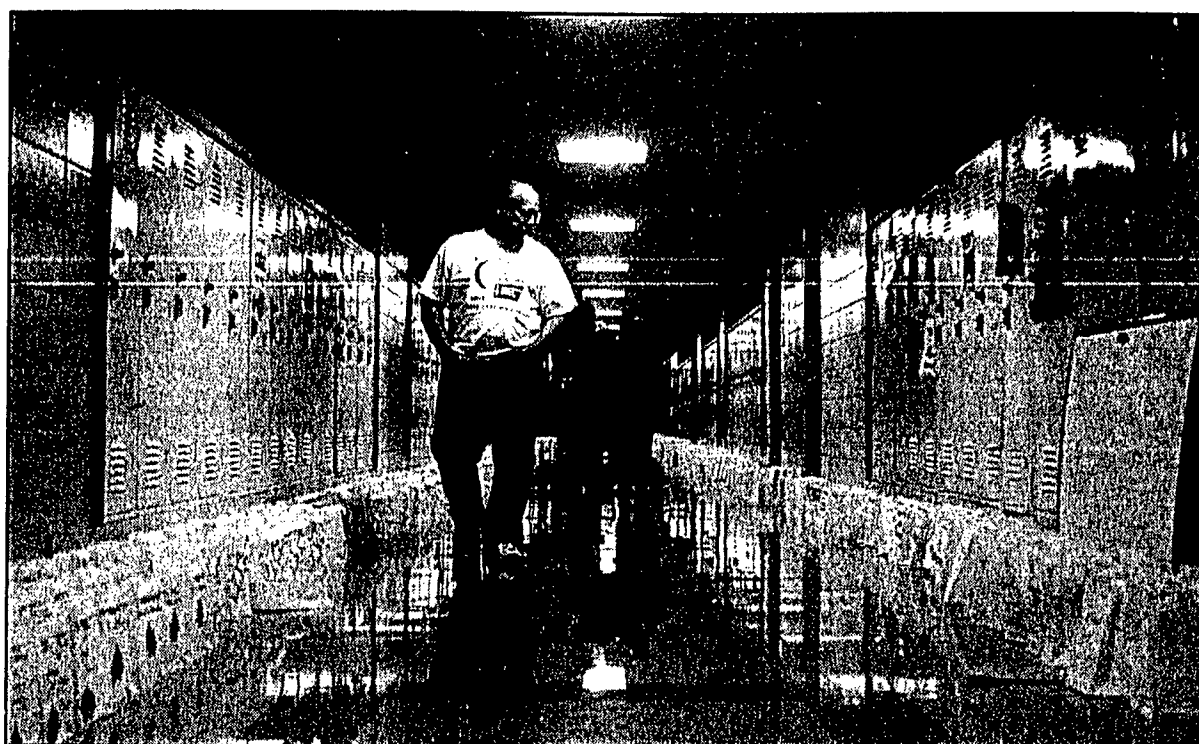
Graham passed away on June 15th last year after struggling with leukemia for two years.

"Pam was a beloved member of the community and of AAUW (American Association of University Women)," Nelsen said. "When I say that, it's an understatement."

Nelsen walked with the AAUW team in conjunction with another team consisting of Graham's family. The celebration unites everyone to achieve a common goal: the elimination of cancer.

The rainy weather failed to dampen any spirits despite the event's relocation from Beal Park to Maryville High School.

Nearly all participants have experienced the presence of cancer, either



Relay for Life participant Mike Baumgartner surveys luminaries lining Maryville High School halls Saturday. The luminaries were decorated with the names of cancer victims and survivors. The event was moved from Beal Park to the high school due to weather.

within themselves or a loved one.

"I always ate right and lived an organic lifestyle with my husband, then BAM!" Nelsen said. "You go through the anger phase and then you just have to do what you can to get through it."

Nelsen noted the overwhelming comfort she received from those around her after being diagnosed.

"The incredible support and care from colleagues, friends and the community is one of the things that helped me keep a positive outlook," Nelsen said. "That kind of support is critical

in dealing with cancer on so many levels."

Teri Harr, survivor chair for Relay for Life, noted that the recognition of the survivors is extremely important for the event.

"We had around 180 survivors on our list, and every year my goal is to honor these people," Harr said. "We've arranged a celebration with cake and punch. Afterwards, we'll read off each of their names."

Relay for Life helps people overcome feelings of solitude and replaces them

with solidarity, according to Nelsen.

"Walking around in this blue shirt and seeing all of these other blue survivor shirts reminds me that we've all gone through the same trauma and angst of facing potential death sooner than we'd like," Nelsen said. "Relay for Life is important because the support and generosity of people shows that you're not alone."

Nelsen is looking forward to participating again.

"Absolutely, I intend to be a survivor and walk next year."

Money issues worry Council

By STEPHANIE SUCKOW
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

Money concerns were an underlying theme at Monday night's City Council meeting as one local business owner and the city treasurer informed the council of losses in revenue they are experiencing.

Del Simmons, owner of Simmons Village Restaurant Deli, began the night by confronting the Council about money he is losing daily due to the smoke-free ordinance that was recently put into place.

Simmons pleaded with the Council to help him or grant him an exemption from the ordinance.

Ed Browning, retired professor of accounting and finance at Northwest, stood next on behalf of Simmons and other small businesses. He believes the ordinance is impeding on the way businesses should be allowed to run and is unnecessary.

"The saying goes, if it ain't broke, don't fix it; you've fixed something that wasn't broke," Browning said. "I appeal to you in the strongest way possible to repeal the ordinance or at least an immediate exemption for the really small restaurants to allow them to continue with business."

While addressing Mayor Ron Moss, Browning then attacked the aspect to which supporters of the ordinance have clung, that businesses should wait a year before jumping to financial conclusions.

"How would you like it if we cut your salary or your pension, Ron, and wait a year to see if you need that much," Browning said. "What we need to do is educate,

not legislate."

Council members heard both sides of the issue but have yet to provide Simmons with a solution.

City Treasurer Denise Town discussed Maryville's financial report, raising more economic concerns in the process.

According to Town, sales tax revenue numbers were showing \$25,000 less than numbers from the same time last year. Normally, the city experiences 2.5 percent growth at this time of year, but this year there was none.

Moss expressed concern over the issue, but possible resolutions will be discussed at a later date.

He also discussed his concern regarding the Maryville community by introducing a plan that he hopes will instill pride in the citizens for their city.

Moss and City Manager Matt Chesnut explained a program in the works currently titled Adopt-A-Block, which would consist of community members adopting and renovating a portion of land.

Another issues dealt with at the meeting concerned annexing property that Security Rentals currently owns for the use of Applebee's construction.

Community events

Thurs.	18	■ Legislative Affairs Committee meeting, Chamber Conference room, 7:30 p.m.
Fri.	19	■ National POW/MIA Recognition Day
Sat.	20	■ Baptism Prep Class, St. Gregory's Church, 10 a.m.
Sun.	21	■ Knights of Columbus Family Picnic
Mon.	22	■ AA Meeting, Methodist Church, 6 p.m.
Tues.	23	■ First Day of Fall
Wed.	24	■ TeamKID meal, First Baptist Church, 5:40 p.m.

If you would like to have your event published, please call 562-1224 or e-mail ssuckow@missourianonline.com.



Zach Patton, 3 years old, receives help from his mother after finishing a Sand Art project. The sand art was a popular stop at St. Gregory's Fun Fest held Sunday.

Dunk tank, spin art fill church grounds with fun

By SARAH ELIZABETH DITTMANN
COPY EDITOR

On Sunday afternoon, amidst music, games and cotton candy, Jill Baker, fifth grade science teacher at St. Gregory's, went one up on Danny Baker, the music teacher from across the hall.

Unable to volunteer this year due to maternity leave, Jill wasted no time in taking advantage of Danny's precarious situation above a large tub of water.

Unable to fire the bean bag hard enough to trigger the mechanism to drop Danny, Jill decided to do things her own way, running up to the button, pressing it with her hand, and sending Danny into the watery depths of the dunk tank.

Though unrelated, the two fellow

teachers have what could easily be mistaken for a sibling rivalry. Of course, that sort of relationship does foster certain consequences.

"When I come back (from maternity leave), I'm going to be gotten back in a way I can't imagine," she said.

Aside from the dunk tank antics, Jill was quick to praise the FunFest, which serves as an annual fund-raiser for the Parent-Teacher Organization at St. Gregory's.

"I think it gives something to the community," she said. "It's something to do on a Sunday afternoon that moms and dads and kids and grandmas and grandpas can do together, and there aren't a lot of those anymore."

Greg Chapman, co-chair for the

FunFest, said the event has something for every member of the family.

"There are games here for the littlest kids, (like the) pony rides, and then there's the basketball and football throw for the older kids, plus the laser tag and the obstacle course," he said. "It's good for all ages of kids, and a lot of the kids who are in St. Gregory's work at the booths... It just works out well because the little kids start having fun, and then they look forward to it every year."

According to Chapman, the event is always financially successful, usually raising several thousand dollars, as well as socially successful.

"It's a fun thing, and the whole community's invited," he said. "It's not just for St. Gregory's people; it's for everybody."

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Our View

The Battle is Over

As the music industry continues lawsuits against music downloaders, their efforts are bound to be futile

With all due respect to the Recording Industry Association of America, the war is over and the fans have won.

We at *The Missourian* understand that the artists of the world are relying on royalties from their work as their livelihood. We also acknowledge the immorality of free sharing of copyrighted media over servers such as Kazaa, Morpheus and the one that started it all, Napster. However, not only are the recent lawsuits by the RIAA futile and silly, but, in a way, they are ungrateful and unnecessary.

But the RIAA has persisted, and now, the lawsuits are directed right at downloaders. This has been a war between fans and labels for one big reason: fans are sick and tired of being gouged for music. The average price for many CDs tops out at over \$20 at some retailers. For most albums, that's over \$1 per song. Fans needed to find a new way to listen to the great music they couldn't afford. Fortunately, the biggest major label in the industry, Universal, recently lowered the retail price of the vast majority of their catalog to around \$12. Problem solved, right? The labels lower prices to a level fans can afford, and fans start buying now-cheaper albums again.

Somebody needs to point this logic out to other labels.

The war against file sharing began with the injunctions filed against Napster. However, after the revolutionary company was dismantled, the RIAA continued to both search for a middle-ground to take advantage of the revolutions in digital music and to look for ways to stop illegal sharing. This time just a few years ago, we also saw the beginnings of sites where fans could pay to get mp3s of individual songs. Some bands even released entire albums online.

This is where the ingratitude of artists and labels starts to show. At this point, fans were still buying albums. In fact, services such as Napster provided a rather large boost to the careers of artists who at that time didn't enjoy either major label backing or grand exposure by Top 40 radio, MTV or VH1. Pop singer Dido even publicly admitted that exposure on Napster had tremendously boosted sales of her album "No Angel," which had been on the shelf for nearly a year at that time. Others, including The Offspring, Limp Bizkit and Dave Matthews, admitted that Napster was a great tool for free promotion and exposure to get music out to a new audience.

Instead of recognizing that a major price cut such as that which Universal is initiating, the RIAA opted for legal action.

What's worse, the lawsuits are futile because the RIAA has promised to pursue no further action against users who come forward, confess and promise never to do it again, as was reported by MTV early last week. That's not a severe enough threat to make anyone stop. We're astonished that the industry is even wasting the time to pursue all of this legal action. Radiohead's most recent album *Hail To The Thief*—leaked online months before it was released—debuted in the Top 10, proving that fans will still buy albums in spite of having it available online.

This is the same argument pursued by the entertainment industry in regards to home-taping in the 1980s. Executives said fans dubbing tapes was going to ruin the industry. It didn't. The industry thrived. When fans share music, music spreads. It can even make new fans of people. And with album prices now dropping, that could mean sales increases if the other labels will follow Universal Music Group's lead. There haven't been any artists exactly going bankrupt because of file sharing. No one has had to vacate a mansion or sell two or three of the dozens of cars major label artists usually own. And Top 40 radio is filled with artists who have seen massive success in spite of music also being available on Kazaa or Morpheus. This is about fans fighting for a fair price for music. That's all. So please, enough with the lawsuits and slap-on-the-wrist threats.



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President's policies prove not so evil

After President Bush's recent visit to Kansas City to rally support for his economic reform package, now seems like an opportune time to address the blame—much of it undue—for the recent woes of the economy.

The heat Bush has taken for the economy is nothing that presidents before him have not had to endure. In fact, it's very similar to what the manager of a losing baseball team has to endure: the manager is the first to be fired if the team starts to play badly. However, what Bush is going through is even worse because no president is ever in complete control of the nation's economy.

Even the government as a whole cannot maintain complete control over the economy, so it's ridiculous to believe the president—only one part in the working machine of democracy—can. Franklin Delano Roosevelt didn't pull the country out of the depression with his New Deal policies and programs; in fact, the view before the United States entered World War II was that the New Deal had failed. It was World War II that jump-started the economy.

Bush's economic policies are actually very sound and very much rooted in the reality of how economies function. His tax cuts are meant to serve one purpose: let people keep more money so that they can pump it back into the economy. His tax rebates were meant to serve that same purpose. The surplus meant that the government had overtaken America. Bush gave it back so that taxpayers could pump it back into the economy. This is the strategy that led to the Reagan Years being the most economically prosperous for America since the 1950s.

Bush faced some things he could not help. After 9/11, he was damned if he didn't, damned if he did. Had he not waged war against terror,

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he would've been labeled an ineffective, cowardly president; because he has, he's been called a war-monger and ripped in the press for waging war against Sadaam Hussein. Wars can be fought in one of two ways, and both require spending, either with bullets or with money. In the '80s, Reagan won the Cold War by pushing the Soviet Union into an arms race they couldn't afford. The result was that not a shot was fired, and the Soviet Union eventually went broke. Bush would've had to spend either way. It would've either been on a war or defense spending. But either way, he took an initiative against Hussein, a man who had played cat-and-mouse with the United Nations for years.

Regarding the unemployment issue, Bush is doing all he can, but there are two important things to remember. First, unemployment will never be completely eradicated. As long as there are jobs up for grabs, some will get jobs and others won't. In his speech in Kansas City, Bush explained that part of his plan to help reinvigorate the economy including making \$3,000 "re-employment" payments so that the unemployed

can do whatever they need to in order to find new jobs. Part of this includes people helping themselves.

The good news is that the United States is on the verge of breaking out of the shallowest slump it has endured in years. The stock market is improving because people are investing again. When Bush's tax cuts take effect, Americans will be able to keep more of their own money. However, Bush can't do it alone.

The panic over Bush's tax cuts is that less money will go to the government and more to the people. Senators such as Dick Gephardt genuinely believe that the answer is to take more money out of people's pockets. It's not. That won't give anybody the money that needs to be put into the economy for it to grow and thrive. There is no quick fix here. More taxes will give the government more but give the people even less. The answer here is to cut the bloated government programs that are getting more than they need. Let's kill two birds with one stone and put stricter limits on welfare, so that those who have been living off it instead of finding work are given some incentive to find employment; it isn't the government's responsibility to support every citizen in America forever. Furthermore, it's time to cut back on the military operations. The role of peacekeeping force doesn't have to be ours in either Iraq or Liberia. Our foreign affairs are reaching the point of excess.

Bush does have a responsibility for the decisions he has made in office, including pre-emptive action against Iraq and his actions in terms of re-viving the economy. However, he can't be held responsible for terrorist attacks that require U.S. action, oil strikes that raise gas prices or corporate fraud. Bush is doing all he can, but he can't do it alone. And there's only so much he can control in the first place.

For safety's sake, revoke the elderly

To begin, if you don't know what sarcasm is, please stop reading.

I know everyone has experienced it. You're driving down the highway, minding your own business, and, out of nowhere, the car next to you decides to swerve into your lane. And right before you explode in a flurry of F-bombs and obscene hand gestures while bracing for impact, a little old man finally looks over, notices you and gets back in his own lane.

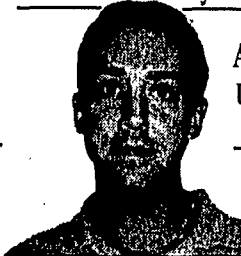
Something must be done about elderly drivers. Now, I'm not calling for a round-up of our senior citizens and exiling them to some island; they already do that on their own with Florida.

But do we really want senile, partially incapacitated, nearly blind people driving half-ton death rovers? Just because they're "our elders," we give them that privilege, and I say it's time we do something about it.

Don't get me wrong, I love old people. Besides the creepy smell and patronizing quips about how good we've got it "these

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AARON BAILEY
UNIVERSITY NEWS
EDITOR



days," they're pretty cool. And I love my grandma dearly, but her reflexes are worse than Ozzy Osbourne's. So why does she drive an SUV when she can barely see over the steering wheel?

Part of the problem is that with all the advancements in medicine, everyone lives to 120. This is a scary fact if you think about it. If the elderly ever rose up in rebellion, we'd be in serious trouble.

That's why we should act now. I mean, "Matlock" reruns and half-priced buffets will only keep them subdued for so long,

I propose a massive federal undertaking. Now stay with me; this is a little outside the box. Give everyone over the age of 65 unlimited free bus passes and take away their driver's licenses. I know what you're thinking: "That's genius, Aaron. But wouldn't the buses get crowded?" Yes, they would. But we've got this big homeless problem, right? Teach them how to drive buses! It's so simple. With just a little imagination and sacrifice, we could make this work.

Now, maybe I'm being a little harsh. I haven't even been driving for 10 years, and some of these old people can remember motoring around on horses or whatever.

Maybe it's all just a small price to pay for all the wisdom and guidance they give us. Actually, I'm probably just bitter because I got a speeding ticket for going 71 in a 65 while getting away from gramps, who was all over the road doing a cool 44. Who knows?

YOUR VIEW

Who do you think is behind last week's anonymous \$10 million gift to Northwest?



"Pitt State. It was a bribe so they can win 'Clash of the Champions.'"

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"The President, George Bush. He might care about us or something."

Janelle McNeil
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"It was me. I got a real good scholarship."

Chris Kruse
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"A graduate from Northwest, because it's such a great school and it's what helped them make their money."

Jason Smith
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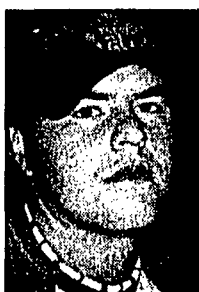
"I think it was Nelly. He figures there are a lot of students from St. Louis here, and he's trying to help them out so they can get scholarships."

J.J. Mulwanda
Finance/
Economics



"I think it's someone from the Alumni Association, because they care about the school. They've already graduated, so they have money."

Nacaela Johnson
Pre-Medicine



"I have no clue. There's too many potential donors. It could be some corporate donation, or someone who graduated from Northwest who made enough that they could spare \$10 million and not think twice about it."

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Sorority sponsors education week

By GINNY FRANCIS
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Delta Sigma Theta Inc. has plans for Northwest, and this week's dedication to education development marks only the beginning.

Monday night, the public service sorority hosted a Greek panel discussion consisting of fraternity and sorority members from Northwest and Missouri Western State College.

Delta's parliamentarian, Nickara Pratt, wanted those in attendance to grasp what the sorority stands for.

"We consider ourselves a public service sorority that has high educational standards," said Pratt. "We're trying to show people what we're about so we can be accepted into the Greek community."

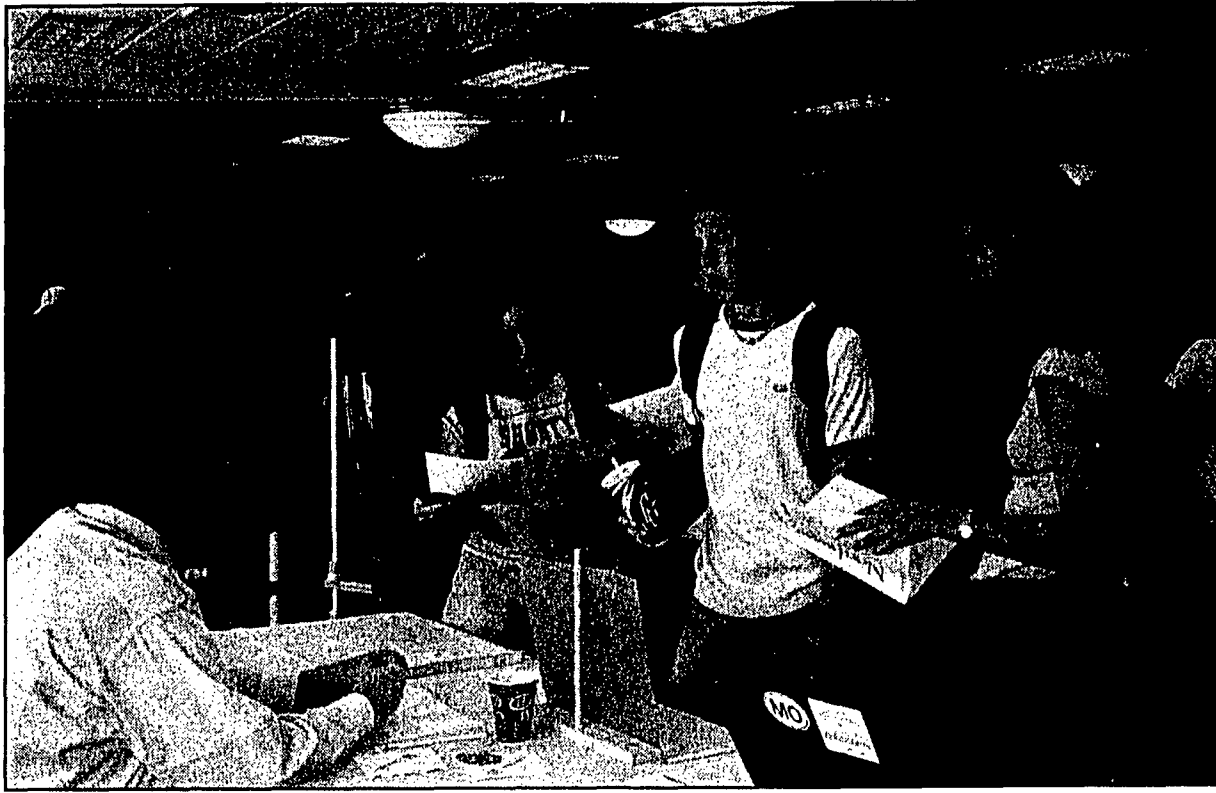
Questions shot back and forth between the different Greek members as they discovered unique aspects about both of their groups.

"Educating people about us, as well as learning what the other mainstream Greeks are about is our goal," said Delta's president Kamaria Kassim.

Tuesday, the Deltas continued their service to education by volunteering for Career Services' annual Exploring Majors forum for undecided students. They also offered their time at Wednesday's forum, which focused on interview and resume tips.

Joan Snider, director of Career Services, said the sorority is always more than willing to volunteer their time.

"They're the only student organization that has asked to volunteer for our activities this semester," Snider said. "We especially appreciate student volunteers because they help raise the awareness level



Ali Boelter, pre-dentistry; Michael Zimmer, business; and Angelita Escher, business management, take a moment to visit the marketing table. Exploring Majors was started to offer freshmen and transfer students the opportunity to get information about different majors offered at Northwest.

on campus."

Thursday night, the Alliance of Black Collegians and the Deltas will host "Girl Talk," a discussion promoting healthy sexual behavior among women. Virginia Murr, assistant director of the Health Care Center, will help facilitate the discussion.

The sorority plans to read to the students at Horace Mann Friday for a public service event to conclude their educational development week.

Although the Delta's week of educa-

tion will end Friday, the sorority has future plans to continue their public service.

"Educational development is only one of our five 'point thrusts' or pillars that we dedicate ourselves to," said Pratt. "Physical and mental health, economic development, international awareness and political awareness are our other four."

The sorority plans to dedicate one week of service on campus to the rest of their four "thrusts" throughout the re-

mainder of the school year.

At the end of their philanthropic events, the Deltas hope they will have helped increase awareness on all these issues as well as the things for which their sorority stands.

"We want people to look at us and say, 'She's a Delta,'" Pratt said. "She's hardworking and she's about something."

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Right to Carry law passed by legislature

narrowly defeated by Missouri voters in 1999. Nodaway County was among 10 counties to strike down the legislation, the only rural county to do so.

Despite past numbers, Brad Lager, 4th District State Representative, supported the override of Holden's veto. Justifying right to carry, Lager cited more restrictions in the current law, as well as the fact that no other state has repealed the law.

"I personally believe that this current law is a happy medium between the folds who are adamantly against it and those who are all for it," Lager said. "As we know, no criminal or thug is going to wait in line to get a conceal and carry permit, so all this affects is the law abiding citizens of this state, and I can't believe we would limit their ability to protect themselves."

Marking Missouri as the 45th state to issue right to carry legislation, the law ranks among the most restricted in the state. Applicants must apply for the \$100 permits at the local Sheriff's departments after completing an eight-hour firearm safety course.

Permits are limited to U.S. citizens at least 23 years of age who have lived in the state for six months.

Concealed guns will be prohibited in hospitals, schools, bars and sports arenas that seat at least 5,000, among other locations. Private property owners may also post a sign prohibiting guns.

Keith Wood, director of Maryville Public Safety, begs to differ.

For much of the past decade, Wood and other law enforcement officers from throughout the state have traveled to Jefferson City in a show of opposition to

the long-debated legislation. While Wood sees no immediate threat to Maryville itself, he sees the law's rhetoric as potentially dangerous.

"It's not that I'm anti-gun or anti-protecting yourself; I'm basically opposed to having more guns on the street in any form," Wood said. "While this is going to require eight hours of training, police undergo a lot more training than that to carry, and even with that a large number of police officers are killed each year with their own gun. That doesn't leave people qualified to leave themselves or their community safer with just eight hours of training."

Wood said that, while right-to-carry advocates have cited constitutional rights, times—and technological advances in weaponry—have changed.

"We've gone from the old black powder days of one shot at a time to several thousand bullets per minute that arms are capable of in some instances," Wood said. "I just wonder if the founders of the Constitution would reconsider if they had the same information today that we have. The circumstances are a lot different than what they saw."

For Wilmes, who has received a number of inquiries regarding obtaining a conceal and carry permit in past week, little more than a bright future is in store for Missouri gun enthusiasts.

"Nothing's going to change; all this was doing in the past was hurting innocent unarmed people," he said. "There are some hotheads out there, I'm sure, but there's always something that goes wrong with everything."

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Budget, facilities discussed at meeting

to place the exterior track fencing. Board member will work with community members concerned with the fencing. On Tuesday, board members will decide where they will put the exterior fencing.

"What is left now is the final track surface that will be put down in about a week or so," Reese said. "The whole process will take about three weeks."

Lastly, the board expressed their opinions on a fund-raising idea suggested to help make up for \$10,000 the budget cuts made to the high school activity program.

Reese said the board had several discussions about the cut and the fund re-

placement effort, but he said the board does not encourage fund-raising efforts.

"The board by consensus this evening indicated that they are not supportive of the fund-raising effort," Reese said. "We appreciate the people who have put forth the effort, but we suggested perhaps that the effort might be applied to contacting legislators."

Reese said anytime the board has to make budget reductions, they do not have an easy decision to make.

"We have a plan in place, and we intend for that plan to guide us for the next three or four years," Reese said.

The board will meet again for another regular meeting October 15.

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City of Maryville up for Betterment award

they have done to better the lives of Maryville citizens. These projects include community beautification efforts, community health services, volunteerism, community facilities and the Breathe Easy campaign.

After all project representatives had spoken and all students had presented their projects, the judges toured Maryville before leaving to judge another community.

After visiting Maryville Tuesday, Sports and Cannon were impressed with the

amount of volunteerism in the town.

"I see a lot of cooperation, and I see very positive attitudes among participants and a huge amount of volunteerism that stands out among other communities that we have seen," Spotts said.

Greater Maryville Chamber of Commerce director Lisa Luke said she thought the judges were impressed with the relationship between the community and the University.

"I think the judges sense the commu-

nity pride," Luke said.

Cannon said he was impressed with the Maryville youth involvement as well as Northwest's involvement.

"There's some uniqueness with all the projects that are undertaken," Cannon said.

Spotts also said Maryville's project book, which details Maryville's projects accomplished throughout last year, was one of the best she has seen.

"We have certain things we look for, and we only have a short amount of time to look for them, so this book has all these things," Spotts said.

Now both Spotts and Cannon will work on the three- to four-page evalua-

tions in the car as they travel from community to community as well as in the evenings.

"We have a lot of paper work to do," Spotts said. "We have evaluations to fill out and then we have to rank the communities that we visited."

In the end, the Missouri Community Betterment program will recognize Missouri communities for their efforts to enhance the quality of life in their communities.

"I believe the MCBA program here in the state is outstanding," Spotts said. "I think it is unique in that it really highlights the very best of Missouri communities."

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Underwater Adventures

Take the splash with a free scuba diving class

By BETSY LEE & JANEA PHILIP
FEATURES EDITOR & MISSOURIAN REPORTER

As Cathie Hannigan hoisted her scuba gear onto her back, she exhaled and prepared for her first dive.

The hot, moist air of the Robert P. Foster Aquatic Center played host to the free "Discovering Scuba" course on Monday. Seven participants waited patiently as the three instructors put on their wet suits and adjusted the gear. Hannigan, a Maryville resident, shifted nervously as she listened to her directions.

When she entered the pool, all the various tubes and equipment seemed foreign to her as she slowly moved around, trying to maintain her balance.

"It's going to take a while for me to get used to this equipment," she said.

After the participants donned the equipment and entered the water, they broke into small groups while Jay Goss, one of the instructors, explained the different components of the scuba gear.

"The equipment is really not that heavy, but I kind of thought it would be," Theresa Wilson said. "The only thing is these flippers; they are awkward."

For the first dive, participants stuck their heads under the water and tried to breathe through their tubing for the first time.

"This is scary," Hannigan said, waiting to go under the water.

As the group went for another practice dive Hannigan just barely put the tip of her nose in the water.

"Oh! I can't do it," she said. "Breathing through my mouth is just not

normal."

Wilson, on the other hand, did not have trouble breathing but struggled with her nose mask.

"I just keep getting water up my nose," she said with a laugh.

Eventually Hannigan, Wilson and the rest of the divers got the hang of it. With the instructors always nearby, they were allowed to swim around the pool.

"It's so calm and peaceful under there," Lynda Hollingsworth said.

Hollingsworth attended the class with her daughter because she thought it would be fun. Wilson was goaded into it by her husband.

"He has wanted to do this for a long time," she said. "Having the chance to explore these things is great."

For the apprehensive Hannigan, scuba diving was simply something different to do.

"It was a good experience because it gave me the opportunity to do something I wouldn't do on a normal basis," Hannigan said.

The free course will be offered Sept. 22 and 29. There will be two sessions per day, one from 6 p.m. to 7:20 p.m. and the other from 7:40 p.m. to 9 p.m.

To sign up, call Cathie at 562-1297. Participants will need to know their height, weight and shoe size when signing up. Those interested in scuba diving after the free sessions may sign up for a one credit-hour class, running from Oct. 31-Dec. 1.

"I'd have to think about if I want to take the class or not, but it was fun," Hannigan said.



Theresa Wilson pulls off her scuba mask to converse with her diving instructor, Paul Winter. Wilson, who attended the class with her husband, said she thought they would probably try out their scuba skills in the open water sometime soon.
PHOTO BY MATT FRYE

Theresa and Bob Wilson ask instructor Paul Winter questions about their equipment. Theresa said she thought she would have trouble breathing air from the scuba tank but found it simple.
PHOTO BY MATT FRYE



Scuba course participants prepare to enter the water for the first part of their lesson. The divers mastered breathing through the tubes before they swam around the pool.
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A diver propels herself through the water as instructor John Wiedenmann walks along, ready to offer advice. Wiedenmann has been instructing novice scuba divers for 20 years.
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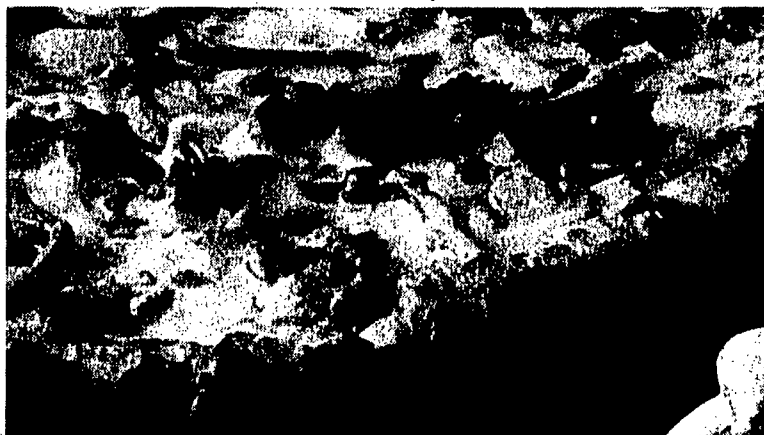
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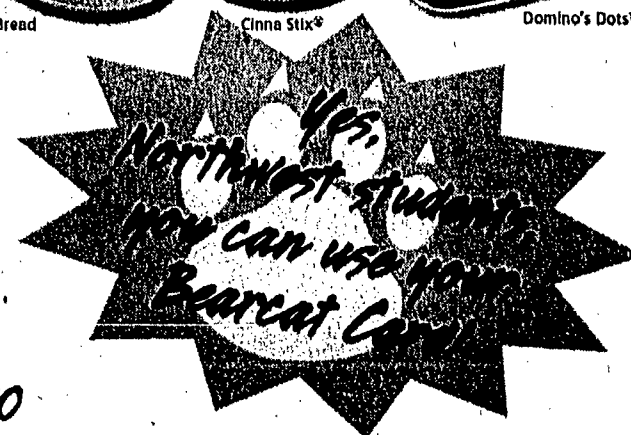
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Game 3
CMSU at Northwest

Another MIAA title run begins now

MIAA's top two teams from a year ago square off

By COLE YOUNG
SPORTS EDITOR

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma may have said it best when he said the road to the MIAA championship goes through Maryville.

On Saturday, Northwest and Central Missouri State University will begin their roadtrip when they square off in each school's MIAA opener.

The two schools faced off last year in what eventually would be the conference championship with Northwest winning 10-7.

On paper, the Mules look to be the obvious favorite, scoring blowouts against Lincoln University and NAIA opponent Langston while Northwest is 1-1 in the non-conference.

"Central is a very good football team," Tjeerdsma said. "It is hard to tell too much about them because they haven't really been challenged in their first two games."

Leading the offensive attack for the Mules is transfer quarterback Zach Threadgill from the University of Nevada.

The air attack is not the only thing that could pose problems for the Bearcats. So far, Northwest's run defense is shaky at best, allowing 100-yard rushers both of the first two games. This week, CMSU brings two running backs with the potential of breaking a game open. Both Kegan Coleman and Lee Thompson are averaging more than 4 yards per carry for the Mules.



Central Mo. State Mules (2-0)
at
Northwest Bearcats (1-1)
Where: Rickenbrode Stadium
Kickoff: 1 p.m.
Surface: Grass
Radio: KXCV (90.5 FM), KRNW (88.9 FM), KNIM (1580 AM, 97.1 FM), KAAN (99.5 FM), KCLX (1140 AM)

Last season, the Mules struggled through the air against Northwest. One of the main reasons for that was the play of cornerback Daryl Ridley. The cornerback made an acrobatic interception in the end zone, jumping over NFL signee Todd Devoe.

"(Playing CMSU) brings back good memories," Ridley said. "It's always tough against them, and it will be tough again. It will show us how good we are going to be."

Ridley also hopes the Mules don't stick to the ground.

"I wouldn't mind them throwing a little more and coming my way," Ridley said.

Offensively, Northwest came to life last Saturday thanks

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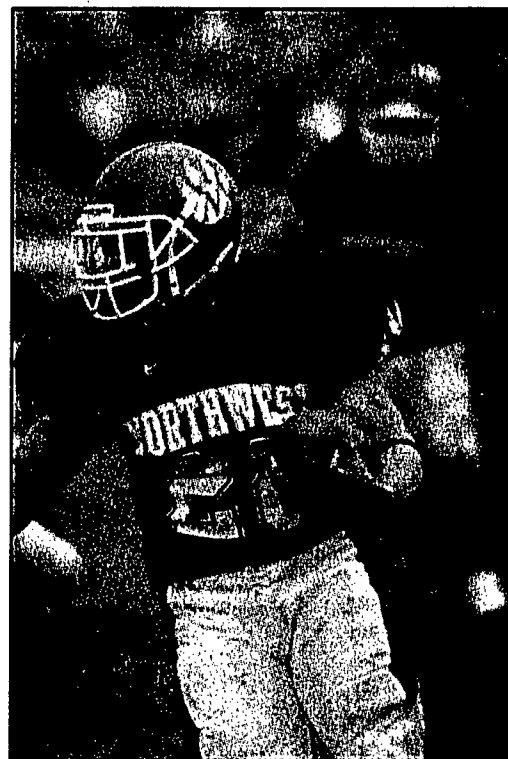


PHOTO BY MATT FRYE/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Junior running back Shon Wells averaged 4.4 yards a carry last week against Minnesota-Mankato. Wells and the Bearcats will look to run through Central's defense this week.

Junior finds comfort in 'Hound offense

Auxier, 'Hounds await winless St. Pius X Warriors

By CLARK GRELL
DESIGN EDITOR

He came into this season as the new guy on the starting offense, but that's in the past for Erick Auxier.

The junior quarterback has the 'Hounds in the same position they were in last year—getting off to a quick start at 2-0 as they prepare for St. Pius X. Most importantly, he's gaining his teammates' respect.

"I think anytime a kid is in his first year as a starter, especially at quarterback, he's going to have to earn his teammates' respect," head coach John Pelzer said. "I think he's starting to do that right now. I certainly know he has all of our confidence."

A solid outing in Maryville's 39-0 win over Oak Grove was maybe what Auxier was hoping for.

He threw eight passes without one hitting the ground. All eight passes resulted in eight catches and two touchdowns.

"The guys ran great routes, and the line gave me time so I could find people that were open," Auxier said.

The game at Oak Grove could not have come any sooner for Auxier. His performance against Glenwood to open the season was not exactly what he wanted, but it was not bad either.

Against Glenwood, Auxier completed seven of 12 passes for 93 yards and one interception. He was also involved in a couple of fumbles on option plays.

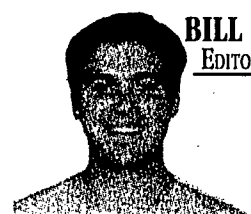
"Anytime you run option, you're going to have a few fumbles," Auxier said. "There's a little mix-up here and there, but we're working on it."

One of the questions for the 'Hounds heading into this season was at quarterback. Ryan Holman was gone, and many wondered if the team could live up to its 8-2 season of a year ago. Auxier might have already answered that question.

"I don't think anyone gave (Please see 'Junior' page 3B)

Ranting & Raving

BILL KNUST
EDITOR IN CHIEF



Starting QB choice is a no-brainer

The hot topic on campus this week is who should start at quarterback Saturday.

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma told the media at Tuesday's luncheon that we would know until Saturday who will start under center.

While I am not an expert on the game, I would like to think I know a little bit. I know that very rarely do the numbers lie, and, in my opinion, Josh Lamberson deserves to start and play as much or more than T.J. Mandl in this week's game.

If you look at the numbers from the first two games, I think you will agree at the end of this column.

Last week, Lamberson was inserted because the offense needed a "spark," Tjeerdsma said after the game.

They got the spark that they were looking for and it only took seven minutes and 16 seconds. In that time Lamberson accounted for 106 yards throwing the ball and rushing.

The 'Cats finished with 303 yards of total offense.

That is right, Lamberson accounted for one-third of the offensive output in just seven minutes (Please see 'Starting' page 2B)

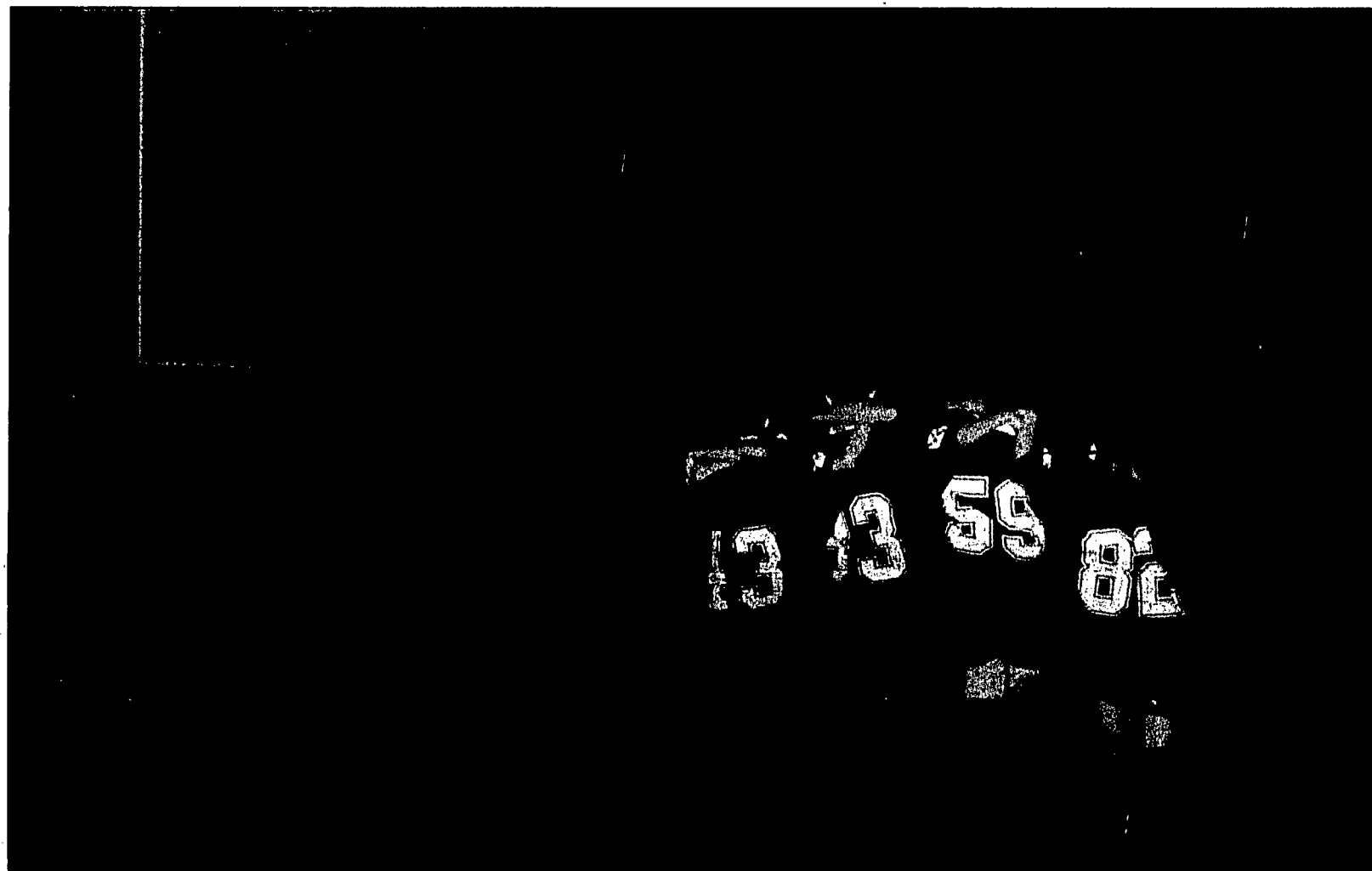


PHOTO BY MATT FRYE/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Mason Pelzer, Dakota Carmichael, Payton Scarbrough and Tray Pelzer walk off the field wearing the jerseys of Maryville natives Adam Otte, Mike Nanninga, John Edmonds and Nick Glasnapp. The four Bearcats have played together since the seventh grade. This season marks the 11th year and also the last that they will step onto the field as teammates.

UNFORGETTABLE

Four 'Cats started their careers together, and now they will end them the very same way

By COLE YOUNG
SPORTS EDITOR

The end of this season will mark the end of an era for four Maryville natives.

John Edmonds, Nick Glasnapp, Mike Nanninga and Adam Otte have played on the same football team for the past 11 years, dating back to their seventh-grade year.

"We started playing organized football together in the seventh grade," Edmonds said.

"When we were in fourth grade, we were all on the same AAU basketball team and have

been playing backyard football forever."

The group has known success not just in college but also as Spoofhounds during their high school years. During the group's sophomore year of high school, they qualified for the state championship in football.

Though they did not come away with the state title, the group recalled that as their greatest memory from high school.

"We have had a lot of good times together, but football-wise, (Please see 'Unforgettable' page 2B)

Game 3



St. Pius X Warriors (0-2)
at
Maryville Spoofhounds (2-0)

Where: The 'Hound Pound
Kickoff: 7 p.m.

Bottom line: Head coach John Pelzer said St. Pius X is the best 0-2 team in Missouri.

'Cat Spikers lose freshman leader, conference opener

Losing streak reaches 11 for Slight, Bearcats

By CLARK GRELL
DESIGN EDITOR

The Northwest volleyball team suffered more than a conference-opening loss to Emporia State University Wednesday night.

Late in the first set, freshman outside hitter Sarah Trowbridge fell to the floor, as did the Bearcats' hopes of ending their 10-game losing

streak.

Trowbridge was helped off the floor by the training staff and was on crutches by the second set.

Head coach Lori DeJongh-Slight said Trowbridge might have possibly torn her ACL and meniscus, which would keep her out for the remainder of the season.

"This is like losing your team captain even though she is just a freshman," Slight said. "It's going to be tough for us, but we are resilient, and the kids we brought in to play tonight did a great job."

Trowbridge came into the night

leading the team in many categories and had several key kills in the first set against Emporia State before being injured.

"If we lose her, it's not only going to change our physical dynamic, but it's going to change things emotionally, and she's a great team leader," Slight said. "Even being a freshman, she's our primary passer, and she's taking the swings on the ball."

Freshman MacKenzie Heston highlighted the night, leading the Bearcats in kills and keeping the Bearcats within striking distance.

After falling in the first set to the

Hornets, 32-30, the Bearcats were unable to overcome mistakes and Emporia State's Leah Griswold. Griswold finished the game, leading the Hornets in kills.

Emporia dominated the second set, taking the set, 30-21 and were able to overcome an 11-5 deficit in the third set, taking it 30-27.

"We threw in a new situation tonight that we have never played before," Slight said. "We threw in a 6-2 tonight and I thought every player that came in stepped it up."

The Bearcats fall to 2-11 on the season.



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UP NEXT
Missouri Western,
7 p.m. Wednesday,
Bearcat Arena

Sophomore outside hitter Mandy Tryon attempts a kill in the second set of the Bearcat's three-set loss to Emporia State Wednesday night at Bearcat Arena. Tryon was one of the Bearcats that had to step up after an injury to Sarah Trowbridge.

PHOTO BY MATT FRYE/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR



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Maryville soccer

The 'Hounds are looking for leadership, and they have had to look no further than senior Travis Smith. For a story on the senior and a summary of Tuesday's game against Smithville, turn to page 3B.















Maryville softball

Not many teams can keep the 'Hounds at bay, not even Chillicothe who had a lead on Maryville Tuesday. Turn to page 3B to find out how the 'Hounds pulled off a late-inning comeback.



Northwest cross country

The harriers took part in this past weekend's Mule Run in Warrensburg. To find out who the top runners were for the Northwest men and women and to find out where the teams are heading this weekend, turn to page 2B.

											
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Questions before kickoff

- Who will be the starting quarterback?
- Will Shon Wells have a breakout game?

- How will the run defense hold up against Kegan Coleman?
- Will we make more than one field goal?
- Will we see a repeat of last year's defensive performance?

Look for the answers in Sunday's Edition of *The Northwest Missourian*.

TALE OF THE TAPE



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237.5	Passing Defense	174.0
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1/4	Field Goals	2/4
25.0	Kick Return Avg.	21.4
9.0	Punt Return Avg.	17.0

AROUND THE MIAA

Last Week
CMSU 75 Langston 6;
Central Okla. 30 SBU 7;
Ill. St. 49 Truman 6;
ESU 28 East Central Okla. 3;
Pitt St. 46 St. Cloud St. 14;
Washburn 28 Fort Hayes St. 4;

This Week

September 13
CMSU @ Northwest 1 p.m.
SBU @ MWSC 1 p.m.
PSU @ TSU 1:30 p.m.
WVU @ ESU 2 p.m.
UMR @ MSSC 6 p.m.

INJURY REPORT

Josh Honey (DE): Probable this week after injuring his thumb against SDSU.

Steve Morrison (S): Out for the season with knee injury.

Dave Tollefson (DE): Will likely miss this week after reinjuring his foot in his first day back at practice.

Morris White (CB): Probable this week after spraining MCL against Mankato.

Tony Glover (CB): Out two to four weeks with separated shoulder

Gabe Middleton (S): Should return this week after missing last week with sprained ankle.

Ray Fonoti (G): Questionable after spraining ankle in practice on Tuesday.

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Unforgettable: Four locals start 11th year

playing in the state championship was one of the best," Edmonds said.

When time for graduation came, things fell into place and the four all ended up staying in town and attending Northwest.

"It was definitely not something we planned," Otte said. "When we were in junior high, all we wanted to do was be Spoofhounds, and after a while it ended up being we all had a chance to play here, so we did."

As the quartet has gotten older, all off the players have had their chance to make plays for the Bearcats. Being able to see a group of friends that have played together their entire lives is something special to Glasnapp.

"It's a great feeling walking out there and seeing my boy Edmonds making plays out there, having old Nanninga out there and rooming with Otte on the road," Glasnapp said.

Over time, all the members have changed, but the majority of the group said Edmonds had changed the most.

"When John got here, he got thrown into the fire really fast,"

Nanninga said. "He has gotten a lot better since high school, too."

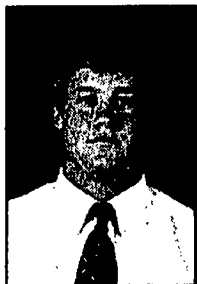
Otte agreed, saying Edmonds is a lot more confident than he was as a 'Hound.

Otte offered his take on the other two as well.

"Mike is still the same quiet guy he has been since he was little," he said. "Nick is always the center of attention, or at least he tries to be."

According to head coach Mel Tjeerdsma, the group members are very much alike in their work ethic and dedication.

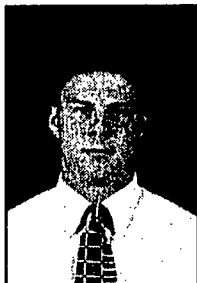
"All four of those guys are typical Maryville players," Tjeerdsma said. "They are blue-collar workers. They just come every day and do their jobs. They are during the season (and) in the offseason in the weightroom. They are just hard workers. It goes back to guys we have gotten from Maryville all the way back to Greg Teale."



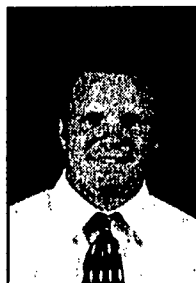
Edmonds



Nanninga



Glasnapp



Otte

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Starting quarterback debate a no-brainer

and 16 seconds. He also led the team to 13 points during the final seven minutes and 16 seconds.

In the first two games, when Mandl has been behind center, the team has scored 10 points in a little less than seven quarters.

Lamberson has played basically 17 minutes in the first two games, which is about one quarter and two minutes. In that time, he has led the team to 13 points and also ripped off the team's longest run from scrimmage, 36 yards.

I may be over-analyzing things here, but if one quarterback leads your team to 13 points in about a quarter and your other quarterback has led your team to 10 points in about seven quarters, it does not seem like a hard decision on whom to start.

This is also similar to the current situation in the NFL with the St. Louis Rams. Although neither Northwest quarterback is hurt, one does have momentum on his side similar to Marc

Bulger of St. Louis.

In the past year, Bulger's record as a starter is 7-1. First-week starter Kurt Warner has not won a game since the 2001 NFC Championship game.

So after Warner sat out last week's game with a concussion, Bulger led the Rams to a win.

In the second half of the Rams game last week, they scored on every possession. Every possession. That is not an easy task in the NFL. Teams are lucky to score on one-third of their possessions in the NFL.

The point I am making is, under Bulger, the Rams score, and under Warner in the first week, the Rams scored just 13 points, and Warner fumbled six times.

The Rams swallowed their pride, sat the Super Bowl-winning quarterback and went with the hot hand.

I hope Tjeerdsma and offensive coordinator Jim Svoboda are able to do the same thing this week and give Lamberson the chance.

Harriers do well in Mule Run

By ANDREW MADDEN
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

There are a lot of things a cross country coach would prefer to not hear from a runner, especially one of their leaders.

Freshman Heather Searles, while not disclosing them to her coach, was thinking several of those things before her outing last weekend at the Central Missouri State Mule Run in Warrensburg.

"I was scared," Searles said. "I was afraid that I would get lost."

Getting lost was definitely not one of Searles's worries as she led her team to a fifth place finish, placing eleven individually. Better yet, Searles is confident that Friday's performance is only a sign of things to come.

"We are going to surprise a lot of people in conference," Searles said.

Speaking of surprise, men's coach Rich Alsop was happy with his team's performance at Friday's race.

"It was a nice surprise to finish third," Alsop said. "We had no idea what level we were going to be at going into the race, but we had been training well."

The men were led by senior Jamison Phillips. Two other runners, Chad Fowler and John Heil, finished in the top 20.

The Bearcats finished ahead of conference schools Central Missouri

State and the University of Missouri-Rolla, which bodes well for the upcoming season.

"It was nice to beat the two conference schools, and it was good to see yet another person leading the team," Alsop said. "We're going to have four or five kids step up every week, plus our freshmen continue to run well for us."

This week, the 'Cats travel to Lincoln, Neb., to participate in the Woody Greeno/Nebraska Invitational. The meet is co-hosted by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and Nebraska Wesleyan.

"This weekend will be a big challenge for us because many of the young runners haven't competed in a (six-kilometer run)," head coach Vicky Wooton said. "The race is geared more to our distance returners like Julie (Toebben), Ashley Grosse and Jessica Montesano, but it will give the young ones an idea of what it will be like to run in conference and regionals."

Alsop is looking forward to the weekend meet.

"There will be really good competition at this weekend's meet," Alsop said. "If you don't get your team out near the top, you won't do well as a team."

The women's race begins at 10 a.m. Saturday followed by the men at 10:45 a.m.

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Bearcats prepare for ranked Central

somewhat in part to the hands of Jamaica Rector. Rector, who caught only two passes in the opener, hauled in 12 passes for 129 yards on the day, Rector though, would not mind the ball even more.

"I want as many as I can get in the game," Rector said. "Twenty, it doesn't matter, I just want the ball."

Rector's twelfth catch, a catch where he slammed his foot in bounds just before falling out of bounds of the game sealed the game for Northwest.

Rector has added endzone dances to his list of antics this year.

"(Morris White and I) worked on it in practice a little bit," he said. "It was his idea; he came up with it. The second one Jesse Haynes told me to do the Superman. Instead of doing that, I did the flex like Randy Moss."

This week, Northwest's offense will have to find a way to get past the Division II's top defense if they want to see anymore of Rector's celebrations.

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'CAT NOTES

White takes part in drills: Despite missing the entire second half of Saturday's game with Minnesota-Mankato, Morris White was back in action Wednesday in practice. The diagnosis for White's knee is a sprained MCL, but he is expected to play on Saturday.

Lamberson named Player of the Week: The MIAA named sophomore quarterback Josh Lamberson the Offensive player of the week for his performance against Mankato in the last seven minutes of the game. Lamberson orchestrated two scoring drives and led another to the red zone before a Bearcat fumble. John Edmonds and Jamaica Rector were nominated in the defensive and special teams categories.

Rector closes in on record: Junior wide receiver Jamaica Rector is only 20 yards shy of the No. 3 spot in career receiving yards at Northwest. Rector is less than 700 yards from the No. 1 spot.

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'Hounds rally late for MEC win

BY DAN ZECH
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

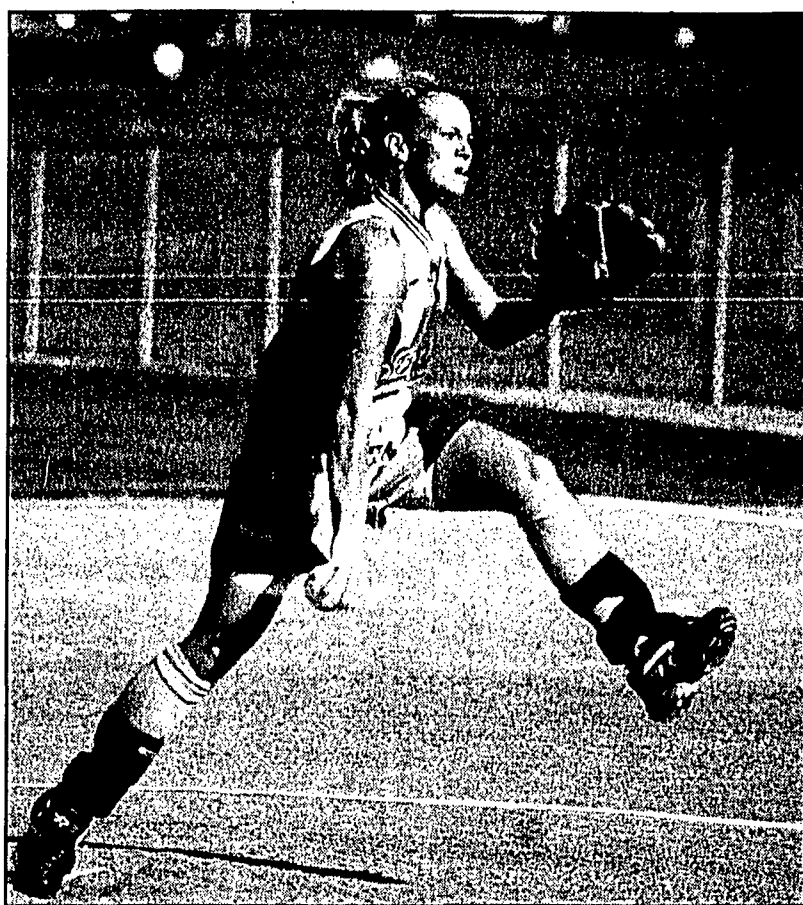
The Spoofhounds are continuing the quest for a conference three-peat as their win totals continue to grow.

The 'Hounds started this week against Chillicothe, a serious conference contender. This game is one of the 'Hounds most important of the young season.

Maryville and Chillicothe started the game solid, staying locked up at zero until the top of the fourth. With two outs, Maryville pitcher Elizabeth Baker made a throwing error to first base that allowed two Chillicothe runners to get into scoring position. A bloop in right field from the next batter scored the runners, giving the Hornets a 2-0 lead. In the next few innings, the 'Hounds were held in check, unable to produce any runs.

Then, in the bottom of the sixth inning, the 'Hounds' offense came alive.

Hallie Blackney started the inning



Elizabeth Baker delivers a pitch in the 'Hounds 8-2 win over Chillicothe on Tuesday. Maryville is on the road in Smithville today.

with a walk followed by singles from Sarah Scott and Elizabeth Baker. Lizz Pfost hit a grounder to second with two strikes, and the Hornets second basemen errored, allowing Blackney and Scott to score. With the score tied 2-2, freshman Bobbi Austin hit a bloop to right, scoring Baker to take the lead. From there the 'Hounds scored five more runs before being retired.

"Our theme for this year is 'Winning takes talent; to repeat takes character,'

Blackney said. "But that's what they did... They showed character to come back and win that game."

Last week, the 'Hounds beat the Jefferson Eagles 3-0. Spoofhounds coach Kathy Blackney said it was an "ugly" win, but a win nonetheless. Blackney credited Austin and freshman Emily Howell with the key hits that pushed the 'Hounds ahead of the Eagles.

Maryville goes to Smithville today.

Smith provides leadership for struggling 'Hounds

BY JEROME BOETTCHER
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The 'Hounds senior captain Travis Smith could only try to sound positive after a disheartening 6-0 defeat against conference foe Smithville.

"We have nowhere to go except up," Smith said after the game. "Hopefully, we'll be getting (the future opponents) off guard."

This is Smith's fourth year as a member of the Maryville High School soccer team. Smith played in a community league during grade school.

"The guys are really cool, and I like the environment," the senior midfielder added.

He is known by his coaches and fellow teammates for having a positive attitude and being a good leader.

"He leads from the front," head coach Stuart Collins said. "He won't tell people what to do unless he can do it himself."

Smith is a returning captain, and has started on varsity since his freshman year. He scored his first goal of the season in the 'Hounds overtime win against conference rival Benton last Tuesday.

"(He brings) ball control, passing and the speed to outrun people," said Wes Wooten, a senior

starter who has played with Smith all four years.

"His ball skills are unsurpassed," Collins said. "He's a great leader, which he should be."



'Hounds soccer

Collins thinks Smith was chosen as captain by his teammates because of his determination. "I think they saw his desire to work hard, his knowledge of the game and his positive attitude," Collins added. "He's there for them; if they need something, he's helping them out."

Junior Dustin Hengger is one of Smith's teammates, impressed with him.

"He works great with everyone," Hengger said. "He doesn't hog the ball; he's a team player."

Smith says that he tries to help the team as much as he can and teach them what he knows.

"I just hope to bring a positive attitude," Smith said. "I try to be a leader."

Smith is not sure of his college plans and doesn't know if he will be playing soccer next year.

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Junior finds comfort in 'Hound offense

Erick a fair shake at the beginning of the year," Pelzer said. "He's been working hard for three years to do this job, and I think what people are seeing is that his hard work is paying off for him."

Auxier and the 'Hounds are back in the 'Hound Pound Friday as St. Pius X rolls in. The Warriors are 0-2, having lost to Platte County and California to start the season.

However, the coaching staff and players are not underestimating last year's Class 2A state champions.

"They can present us with some problems," Pelzer said. "They do a lot of motions, a lot of shifts and a lot of different formations. They are going to try to get a mismatch. We've got our work cut out for us this week to get the guys ready."

In Pelzer's time at Maryville, the road team in this matchup has won. Pelzer is hoping that trend will be put to a halt Friday night.

"They are definitely a team to be reckoned with and not one that we can take lightly because they are 0-2," he said. "It's a good challenge for us as we get ready for the (Midland Empire Conference) and it's finally going to give us a measuring stick, and we can compare ourselves to the teams they've played."

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FAN PLAN

	TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Northwest football			Central Missouri State 1 p.m.				
Northwest volleyball		Washburn TBA	Central Missouri State TBA				Missouri Western 7 p.m.
Northwest cross country			University of Nebraska-Lincoln				
Northwest soccer			Truman 2 p.m.			Rockhurst 1 p.m.	
Maryville football		St. Pius X 7 p.m.					
Maryville volleyball	Lafayette 5 p.m.					Chillicothe 5 p.m.	
Maryville boys' soccer	Maur Hill 4 p.m.				Cameron 4 p.m.		
Maryville softball	Smithville 4:30 p.m.		Chillicothe Tourney			Platte County 4:30 p.m.	

■ GAME TO WATCH: The Northwest volleyball team finally gets some competition from the MIAA when they play Washburn on Friday. Thus far, the Bearcats have been facing teams in tournaments from much tougher conferences. □ Home games

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Northwest vs. CMSU	NW 7-3	NW 17-14	NW 21-17	NW 41-38	NW 21-10	NW 28-24
MSSC vs. UM-Rolla	MSSC 42-41	UMR 13-0	UMR 32-21	MSSC 23-13	MSSC 35-28	MSSC 3-0
Oregon vs. Michigan	UM 56-31	UM 34-27	UM 32-14	UM 35-20	UM 28-17	UM 38-14
Florida vs. Tennessee	UF 35-31	UF 26-12	UT 32-28	UF 45-13	UF 14-10	UT 34-28
LSU vs. Georgia	UG 21-20	LSU 31-18	UG 28-14	LSU 24-17	UG 24-17	UG 42-7
Chiefs vs. Texans	KC 49-14	KC 39-13	KC 31-10	KC 42-23	KC 35-21	KC 28-7
Redskins vs. Giants	Wash. 31-21	Wash. 24-21	Wash. 33-17	Wash. 17-7	NYG 17-10	NYG 14-10
Maryville vs. St. Pius X	MHS 21-7	MHS 28-6	MHS 28-21	MHS 24-0	MHS 31-14	MHS
Season (Last Week)	31-9 (6-2)	35-5 (6-2)	26-14 (8-8)	29-11 (7-1)	29-11 (6-2)	32-8 (7-1)

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Oct. 4	Washburn	1 pm
Oct. 11	at Central State	2 pm
Oct. 18	Missouri Southern Homecoming	1 pm
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Your Man finds love enigmatic

It seems that Cupid has paid an early visit to Northwest this year. Everywhere I go, love is in the air.

Or maybe it's pollution. Walking across campus, I see people running joyously to one another and embracing passionately in front of the Union. It almost seems as if it's been 10 years since these people have seen one another when in reality it's probably only been a couple of hours since you all rolled out of bed and went your separate ways. As I watch this, I begin to wonder: Why is Your Man indefinitely single?

Let's look at this from a non-biased perspective. I asked my friends what my good qualities are. The popular response: "Your fabulous personality and great smile." Okay, so this might get me brownie points if I were working a cash register at Wal-Mart, but it sure doesn't get me anywhere in the dating field. So I called my mother.

Her response: "Honey, you are wonderful just by yourself! You shouldn't worry about getting a date!" My father: "We're paying too much for you to worry about dating. Why don't you go to the library and focus on your future instead?"

So, the next step was asking my professors. After explaining to the first one that I was not trying to improve my grade, I realized asking my professors if I am datable is not such a good idea. So,



THE STROLLER

I made an executive decision to sit and watch people; maybe I'd learn something.

Your Man camped out in the Union for a few hours each day, and here is what I have come up with to help you get a date at Northwest:

If you are female, don't worry about dressing up. In fact, the fewer clothes you wear, the better chance you have at hooking up with someone.

If you are male, make sure to wear the trendiest clothes and keep your hair in style. (For some reason, not cutting it and wearing a ski cap seems to work pretty well.)

Ladies, make sure to get a tray full of food, but don't eat any of it. Instead, offer it to the guy that sits next to you. This way you can make the guy happy and keep your figure. Men, don't even think about offering food to your gal.

Get out one of your books and open it like you are studying. Whether they turn the pages or not, this seems to attract the smart people to one another. (Hey, even nerdy guys need lovin' sometimes.)

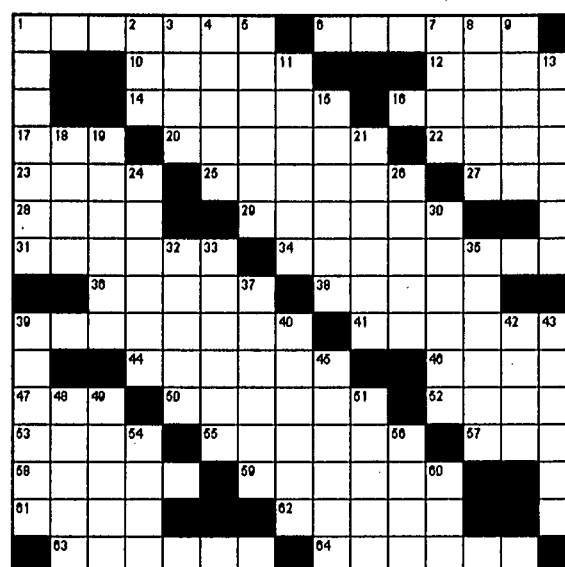
Every 15 minutes or so, you should stand up, point across the room and scream out a random name. Continue to wave, and then sit back down and continue eating. This will make people think that you are popular.

Don't try to sit at one of the long tables where the music people sit. They will kick you out or give you a dirty look while they pick up their instruments and backpacks and move to another table. Do not try to hit on them either unless you are carrying your own trumpet. Apparently, marching band makes people very hungry and very cranky.

These are just a few things I noticed that happened quite a bit in the fine dining area here at Northwest. Maybe it's not the best place to look for a date. But, if all else fails, just remember these words of wisdom from Your Man: There are enough dating games to find everyone in the world a significant other. And if that doesn't work, there is always money, which can buy anyone a date if it's the right amount.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

WEEKLY CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. Crystalline minerals of aluminum silicates
6. Grape residue brandy
10. Recommendations
12. Law officer
14. Drums
16. Sword
17. Male child
20. Search busily
22. Long, laborious work
23. Makes mistakes
25. One who cautions

DOWN

27. Nocturnal bird
28. Flat-bottomed boat
29. Hat
31. Whack
34. Guard dog
36. Sprinkle
38. Land along the edge of a sea
39. Openings for undoers
41. Supercilious
44. Sees
46. Abrading tool
47. Connect to
50. Temporarily address to an inferior
52. Golf mounds
53. Small nail
55. More nervous
57. Long-tailed rodent
58. Kind of tea
59. Bawled
61. Boor
62. Fishing net
63. Wrestling hold
64. Gnawing animal
1. Most stinking
2. Prefix "beneath"
3. Academic (abbrev.)

4. USVP
5. Grasp again
7. Edible legumes
8. Picasso, artist
9. Shaft shot from a bow
11. Grief
13. Artificial leg
15. Medicinal shrubs
18. Shrewd
19. Lethargic
21. Ordinals of ten
24. Grass ridge
26. Scout
30. Economy
32. Crucifix
33. Australian sheep dog
35. Insubordinate one
37. Someone unpleasantly strange
39. Knapsack
40. Textiles
42. Bloodsucking insect
43. Pertaining to yesterday
45. Wind-powered vessel
48. Burning of another's property
49. Dough
51. Prefix for "sun"
54. Children's writer
56. Tear apart

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■ While fighting with the French underground during World War II, Jacques Yves Cousteau invented the aqualung, the self-contained device that supplies air pressure for underwater divers.

See answers below

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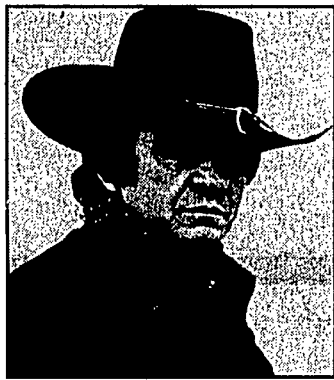
Johnny Cash: The man, the music forever remembered

By SEAN COMER
MISSOURIAN REVIEWER

On Friday morning I had picked up my paycheck, made it to 8 a.m. Earth Science on time and even found a decent parking spot. After finishing some light reporting on my beat, I sat down to make my daily chat of the music news.

I'd never seen a headline jump at me quite as this one had: "Johnny Cash Dead at 71." Stunned doesn't even seem appropriate to describe how it felt to read those words.

Author of 70 albums and winner of 11 Grammys, Cash was a find more than rare in the music industry: he truly seemed something more than human. In his 71 years, Cash had done it and perhaps defied even more: over 30 operations for a broken jaw, heart surgery, hellacious drug and alcohol addiction and,



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most recently, autonomic neuropathy, the condition that ravaged his immune system and kept him in and out of hospitals for various ailments, particularly pneumonia, during the last years of his life. Most recently, a bout with pancreatitis had forced him to miss the MTV Video Music Awards ceremony, where he was nominated for six awards for his cover of Nine Inch Nails' "Hurt," including Best Cinematography, which he won. Prior to that, Cash even managed to play a tribute to his late wife, June Carter Cash, shortly after

her May 15 death due to complications from heart-valve surgery. And through it all Cash never ceased to walk his own line in the world. He was

"punk" before punk came around. He was a rebel whose raw, rockabilly sound seemed to defy every genre convention known to the industry. Cash was revered and respected by fellow artists from Willie Nelson to Kid Rock. Having performed with some of the biggest contemporary acts of our era—Sheryl Crow, Beck and Bruce Springsteen to name a few, he even added his own black touch to a Nine Inch Nails tune.

Through it all, though, Cash remained "the Man in Black," a persona as honest as any that any artist has ever donned. His eponymous song, "The Man in Black," was one of his signature songs and a statement to all: he wore black for all who had no voice, whom the world ignored and counted out. Put another way, Cash was looking out for his own.

Interesting post-script to this article: after I wrote this, I made my way to the Union for breakfast before work. Along the way, I caught myself humming "Folsom Prison Blues" to myself. I had to smile.

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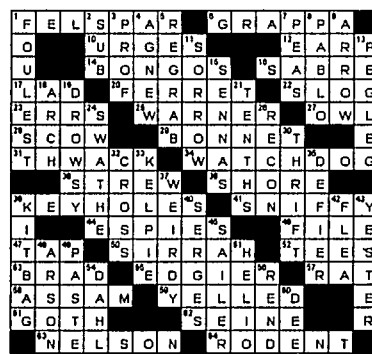
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